

Hurricane Tips from Northport Police & Fire Departments (Chief Ric Bruckenthal and Chief Chris Hughes)

Strong winds and localized flooding may occur as an effect of any hurricane or tropical storm.

Plan ahead. Here are some tasks that you should consider before a storm's contact with our region.

Make a video or take photos of your property. Be sure to record every room in the house making sure to clearly document each room's contents. Record the interior and the exterior of your basement/cellar. Record the interior and exterior of your garage and/or out buildings. Record the interior and exterior of your personal vehicles/boats/RV etc.

Secure and stow away all outdoor furnishings, tools and decorations including potted/hanging plants.

If you have a generator(s), be they are filled with fuel and an adequate supply of additional fuel is available. If you have a working fireplace or wood stove, have a supply of dry firewood for the evenings.

If electrical power is out for several days, you should remember that ATM machines may not be working. Local businesses also might not be able to process credit card transactions. Have a small amount of cash on hand.

☐ **Water & Ice** - at least 1 gallon daily per person for 3 to 7 days

☐ **Food** - at least enough for 3 to 7 days (cooler with ice)

- non-perishable packaged or canned food / juices
- foods for infants or the elderly
- snack foods
- non-electric (manual) can opener
- cooking tools / fuel
- paper plates / plastic utensils

☐ **Blankets / Pillows, etc.**

☐ **Clothing** - seasonal / rain gear/ sturdy shoes

☐ **First Aid Kit / Medicines / Prescription Drugs**

☐ **Special Items** - for babies and the elderly

☐ **Toiletries / Hygiene items / Moisture wipes**

- ☐ **Flashlight / Batteries / enclosed candles (no open flames).**
- ☐ **Radio** - Battery operated and NOAA weather radio
- ☐ **Telephones** - Fully charged cell phone with extra battery and a traditional (not cordless) telephone set
- ☐ **Cash (with some small bills) and Credit Cards** - Banks and ATMs may not be available for extended periods
- ☐ **Keys**
- ☐ **Toys, Books and Games**
- ☐ **Important documents** - in a waterproof container or watertight resealable plastic bag
 - insurance, medical records, bank account numbers, Social Security card, etc.
- ☐ **Tools** - keep a set with you during the storm
- ☐ **Vehicle fuel tanks filled**
- ☐ **Pet care items**
 - proper identification / immunization records / medications
 - ample supply of food and water
 - a carrier or cage
 - muzzle and leash

If you have any fire or medical emergency – please call NORTHPORT FIRE DEPT at 631-757-1111.

If you have any other emergency or concern – please call NORTHPORT POLICE DEPT at 631-261-7500.